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Applicant: KU, Baoshan et al. Conf.: 2815  
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For: ANALGESIC COMPOSITION AND METHOD

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 19, 2003  
(Monday)

Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated April 18, 2003, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1-14, drawn to a method of producing analgesia in a mammal using a synergistic combination of opioid analgesic and a compound that binds to the SS1 or SS2 subunit of a sodium channel in a pharmaceutically suitable vehicle; and